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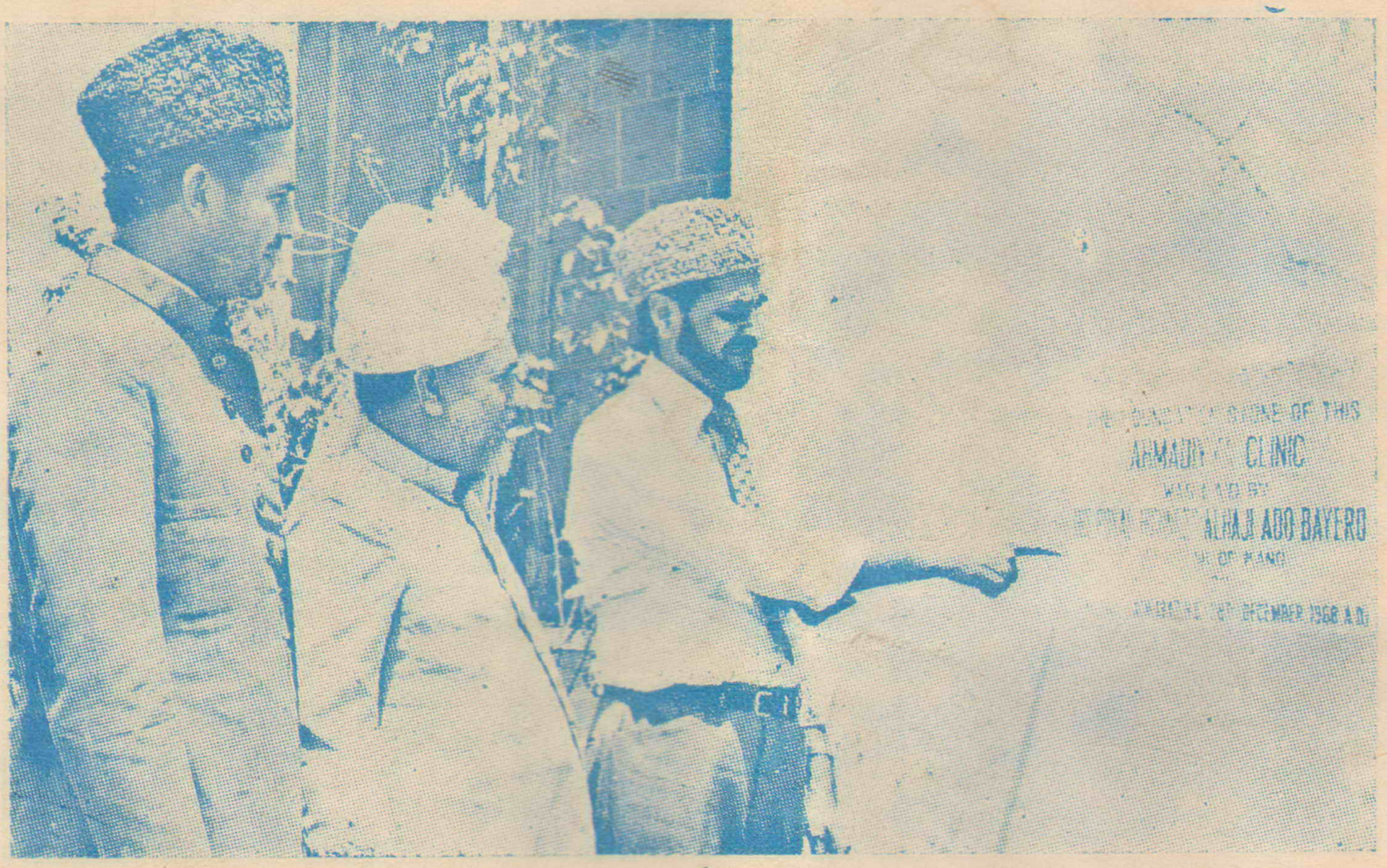

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GODLY PEOPLE

The Promised Messiah peace be on him, says:

I say it repeatedly that you should try to win the pleasure of God, for, if God is kind to you the whole world will be kind and if He is annoyed, nobody can avail you anything. When His wrath descends none in the world will show kindness to you even though you may try to deceive the people in various ways—by making use of rosary or dyeing your clothes yellow or green; the people will take it to be a mean thing. Even if the world is deceived for a few days, the glamour will go and the people will be disillusioned. But he who comes from God, the world will not succeed in its plans of opposition, however great the opposition. The people may call him names and curse him but a time will come when the world will turn to him and will openly admit his truthfulness. I tell you the truth that for whoever God is, the world also becomes his. Of course it is quite true that those who come from God are in the beginning opposed by the people and they

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are troubled and stumbling blocks placed in their way. Never a Messenger or a prophet has come to the world who was not put to hardships. Everyone of them has been called a cheat, fraudulant and a business (i.e. his claim is nothing short of exploiting the people and a means of extracting money from them). But despite the fact that millions of people wanted to shoot arrows at them, threw stones at them, abused them, they did not care a fig for all this. There was nothing that could stand in their way. They continued reciting the word of God to the people. They continued delivering the message which they had brought from God and they did not leave any stone unturned to see their message reach their people. The trials and tribulations which they were meted out by their people (who did not believe in them) did not make them slack rather it added to their speed till the time came when God made their difficulties easy and the opponents began to realise the truth of the matter. At that time the opponents came to them and fell at their feet and admitted openly that their claim was based on truth.

The hearts are in the hands of God and whenever He wills he changes them.

(Malfoozat Vol. VII, pp. 196-197)

Book Review

AHMADI MUSLIMS —Historical outline

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by

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Naib Vakil-ut-Tabshir (Tasnif)
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Price Rs. 5/-

In the words of the President, Lajna Imaillah (Central) this booklet is a brief historical outline of the Ahmadi Muslims, of how they arose as a denomination, with what aims, how they conceive and carry out their work for and on behalf of Islam, and with what results.

Maulana Munir is an M.A. in Journalism and he knows his job well. He has served (and is still serving) the Tahrik i-Jadid as the man incharge of the publications and their distribution all over the world. His style is lucid and he has a way of his own for saying things with all the brevity that the topic or the occasion might demand. Since this book let is meant for the children and the new converts, he has used his art of brevity with great skill.

As it has been mentioned in the Preface, it will not be out of place to say here that the basic work on this subject was done by Sheikh Khurshid Ahmad who published his own book in Urdu ; the present publication is mostly based on Sheikh Khurshid Ahmad's work. May God reward both of them abundantly and may He make these books a source of light to guide the readers to the right path—and make them stick to it with all the sincerity at their command. Amen. (Eness)

Notes & Comments

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The Holy Quran

Commenting upon the verse :

و مثل الـذين ينفقون اموالهم ابتغوا
مرضات الله و تثبيتاً من انفسهم كمثل
جنة بربوة

> And the case of those who spend their wealth to seek the pleasure of Allah and to strengthen their souls is like the case of garden on elevated ground.

Hazrat Muslih Mauood may God be pleased with him says : This, too, should be remembered that God has mentioned two reasons for spending in his way, in this verse : One : *Ibtigha marzatillah* and *tasbitan min anfosihim* i.e. seeking the pleasure of God and strengthening the nation. When the charity is given to the poor, they also get an opportunity of making some progress and thus becoming a useful part of the nation whose members are down graded. Such a nation cannot be a great nation for these downgraded members of the nation become a burden for the whole nation and the nation consequently cannot move forward to make progress. That is why the European nations who have no relation with God (i.e. who do not believe in God as He should be believed in) also make great charities, for, they know that the strengthening of the poor enables the nation to move forward.

In short Islam has told us that there are two reasons for giving charity to the poor. One of these is the seeking of the pleasure of God and the other is strengthening poor members of the nation—helping the poor is in fact helping oneself.

Another meaning of the verse is that when the believers help the poor and the weak who have nobody to support them, God helps them (the believers) and provides them the means of streghthening themselves. A hadis of the Holy Prophet, peace and blessings of Allah be upon him, points to this fact and that hadis is that the believer who helps his brother is helped by God in his own difficult times.

Another spiritual advantage of spending in the way of Allah is that he who does so gradually gets himself strengthened in the religion. That is why I have told my Jamaat repeatedly that he—who is weak in other respects of religion and does not take part in activities of the Jamaat must be made to pay the contributi n, for, when he will spend in the way of Allah, his faith will be strengthened and he will gain courage and will take part in other activities of the Jamaat (he will start doing good deeds).

(Tafsir Sura Baqra p. 612)

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The Hadith

It is reported by Hazrat Abu Huraira, may God be pleased with him, that the Holy Prophet, peace and blessings of Allah be upon him, said,

"You should pray to God with your heart full of certainty that your prayer will definitely be accepted and you should remember that God does not accept the prayer of the person whose heart is indifferent and careless (concerning the prayer)."

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This Hadith of the Holy Prophet, peace and blessings of Allah be upon him, is not only a guide for our supplications, it also gives us a golden principle for everything we do. Put your heart and soul in the work and you will find that success is waiting for you and the results are far better than the person who does things half heartedly. Whether you are a student, a businessman a labourer or a worker in the offices or the factories, if you do your work diligently and put in your heart in the work that is allotted to you, you will do better work with better results and you will be liked by everybody. Doing everything whole heartedly should therefore be our guiding principle.

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A LETTER

Dear brother in Islam

Assalamo alaikum wa rahmatullahi wa barakatohu.

I hope and pray that by the grace of Allah you are well and improving. I am happy to find my poems printed in valuable Tahrik-i-Jadid magazine. I enclose a new poem, composed on occasion of the inauguration of first swedish mosque in Goteburg on 20th of August. I hope your readers would like the work too. Moreover I want to inform you about an important instance ; During the last few days and weeks many advertisements are to be found in the biggest German newspapers and magazines, especially those who are addressed to the intelligent people, which inform the public of the fact that Jesus Christ did not die on cross. These advertisements offer to the interested reader a new book of 448 pages with 95 pictures under the title "Jesus was buried alive". Under different headings of those advertisements the public is drawn to the fact that the well known shroud of Turin, in which Jesus was, as supposed, to be clothed after his crucification, shows signs of 28 bleeding wounds, that therefore medicine proves the fact that Jesus did not die on cross and that the Pope of the Christian Church himself has agreed to the opinion that the Turin—Shroud is true. The readers of the advertisements are told that a new era has started by the acknowledgment of the fact that Jesus did not die on cross and that everybody is invited to take part in the unveiling of one of the biggest secrets of world history. The publishers of this book must have spent a huge sum of money to arrange all these advertisements in some of the biggest newspapers of the world like "Frankfurter Allgemeine Zeitung" and weeklies like "Die Zeit" as well as famous and wide spread intellectual magazine "Der Spiegel". Even when this book will not be sold in millions of copies, the effect of these advertisements will bring the news of the truth that the very foundation of christianity has been proved as a mistake to about 10 million of readers of those magazines and newspapers. We only can say that this book is a big step forward of the march of Islam and Ahmadiyyat, which claimed the survival of Jesus after his cricifiction more than 1300 years ago and which laid bare the facts of the natural death of Jesus at a ripe age of 120 years in the region of Kashmir, India, through the illustrious

follower of the Holy Prophet of Islam, Hazrat Mirza Ghulam Ahmad, the Promised Messiah, through whose advent the prophecies of the second advent of Jesus were fulfilled.

I hope that you can make use of this small report in one of the next issues of Tahrik-i-Jadid.

Hoping to hear from you and wishing you great success, wassalam

Hadayat Ullah Hubsch
West Germany

Poem for the inauguration of the Goteburg Mosque, Sweden, on 20-8-1355/1976

White Minaret, White Minaret from Qadian
I hear in Goteburg your wakening azan
I see in Europe Allahs company
Who show the way in our century.

They follow Ahmad, nowhere else is sun,
Where his light falls a new world has begun.

When Allah spoke to him, the Promised One,
A flood of beauty made the devil run.

Clouds disappeared, those who had eyes could see :
There's none like God and Ahmad is His tree
Sown by Mohammad, the illustrious tonge,
Who wrote the song, which Ahmad now has sung,
Because he never, never went astray,
Because his only weapon was to pray.

While Mohammad was granted the Quran,
The Miracle of Ahmad was Azan,
With which he called the mankind back to truth
With which he bound the satans, which were loose.

So God revealed : Thy Message I will take
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Up to the corners of the world, to shake
The evil forces from their very root,
To kill the shirk and punish every foot
Which dares to fight against islamic power.

God's Word came true, We see the blissful power
Of Prayers and of actions, which the best
Of Ahmad's disciples brought to the west
To nourish the dried soil of human heart
To make the righteous live and so to start
A new earth, a new heaven, a new day
Through bringing forward the illumining ray
From Qadian's white, pure and honest Minaret,
To spread the news of love and truth instead
Of hate and rancour and of any lie
Through Ahmad's voice, which glorifies the High.

Hadayat Ullah Hubsch,
West Germany

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Moral Guide for Students

Education

Dear Students, you attend the school for education and for passing the examinations I should like you to think over these two words ; Education and examinations. Does education mean the ability to read and write ? ' My answer is a big No. It is much more than that. Rather it is very different from that. The ability to read and write is a means to something else that is an end. It is that end that has to be achieved through the acquisition of ability to read and write. You have to make yourself a better person in every respect; you have to acquire beneficial knowledge and make it a guide for your life by putting it into practice. If there is somebody whose ability to read and write. does not make him a better person, it only means that he is not an educated person in the real sense of the word. Do keep this thing in mind all the time, when you are in the school and when you are at home.

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Think over the word 'examination'. Does it frighten you? It should not. The examinations are held to tell you how much of knowledge you have acquired and if there is any shortcoming, where does it lie, so that you can remove it. There is another reason also for holding the examinations. And that reason is to make you scale greater heights, by going to the next step, and then another, and so on. In fact, it can he said that examinations are your friends that help you make progress. So always prepare well for the examinations and try to score very high marks.

Religion

Although everybody belongs to one religion or the other, there are many people who do not realise its significance. Some people are not very serious about their religion. This attitude is harmful to them as well to the people around them.

Religion is a set of rules to guide our lives for our betterment and our betterment—that is the betterment of the individual—is the betterment of the world at large. You should study your religion well and whatever good you find in it, you should make up your mind to act upon it. I am quite confident that nobody's religion tells him to ruin his own life or to ruin the lives of others. No religion tells its followers to be untruthful, untrust-worthy and deceitful.

That the people belong to various religions does not mean that they should be at loggerheads. Despite the fact that they believe that it is their and their religion alone which is true, they should be tolerant towards others. You should try to understand the religions of others and you should also try to make other people understand your religion. Do all this in a very congenial atmosphere. Never talk of the religion of others in a way that you intentionally hurt them. Of course, that in no case means that you ignore the truth that you believe in and begin to say that different religions make no difference at all. If they really do not make any difference why are you sticking to a particular religion of your choice.

So you see it is not true to say that different religions make no differ-

ence at all. Of course the difference must not be made a cause of hate and acrimony.

Relations with others

Human beings cannot live alone. To keep somebody isolated i.e. away from others, and all alone, is a great punishment. All of us need one another. In fact if we think over the supply of our necessities of life it will become quite clear that all of us depend on everybody in the society. A large number of people grow crops, reap them, grind them, bring them to the market and cook them for us to eat. Every morsel that we take or every cloth that we put on and every house that we live in is the result of very sincere efforts of a large number of people. We pay for these things. Yes, we pay for them, there is no doubt about it. But if you have the money in your pocket and the goods you want to buy are not made available, can you eat the money or can you make your clothing with the currency coins or notes that you have or can you prepare a shelter for yourself by putting the currency notes on your head. No, you cannot.

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All of us work for one another. All of us need one another. Why then should we n t have regard for one another. Why should we not appreciate the efforts of others.

The more we think over these things, the more we begin to realise that our relations with the people must be of a very high order. We must make friends. We must look after those who are around us. We must help those who need our help. In fact the only way of making this world a better place for all of us is to have very good public relat ons. Change your attitude and see the difference.

Leisure hours

However hard working you might be, you cannot busily engage yourself in your routine duties for all the 24 hours of the day, or, say for all the time that you keep awake. You do a work for some time and then you get tired. You stay at the school for a fixed number of hours and when you come back home you study for some time? But tire you must. And when you are tired you do not like, and really you cannot continue, doing that routine work. But does it mean you cannot do anything at all at that time. No. You are in need of diversion. Your attention is asking you to divert it to some thing else. Stop reading and go to the garden to look at the flowers. You will be refreshed. Better than that, have a small garden at home. Water it, watch the plants growing and enjoy the colour and fragrance of the flowers. Or if you like, grow some vegetables. I can assure you that a little vegetable of your own growing will bring you more pleasure than getting basketful of vegetable from others. You can grow the fruit trees also.

This kind of time is called leisure time and it can be put to many good uses. Think of them and you will not have to ask anyone as to what you should do during the leisure hours. Some students collect stamps of various countries and some other make an album of the pictures of great men. All these are instructive things. You also should use your leisure hours in doing something interesting and instructive.

Hard Work

If you look around, you will find that some people are very great, some are great and some are not great at all. Rather we can say that they are small. Some have great achievements to their credit, some

have not achieved anything at all. Some are prominent, others are not. Why is it so? Somebody can say that some people are born to be great and therefore they are great, others are destined to be ordinary people and therefore they remain ordinary people. Well, that is a misleading expression of the fact.

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The truth is that to some extent the talents that God has granted all of us go to determine whether we are going to achieve some thing or not, whether our achievements are going to make us great or not. But this is only one factor. There is another factor, too, and that factor is very decisive. We can say that if two people have equal talents, it is this other factor that shows who of the two will rise high. That factor is hard work. However great the talents, unless hard work goes into our actions we connot achieve much. We can even go to the extent of saying that even when one hasn't great talents, hard work can take him much higher. History of achievements tells us that whoever has risen high, he has been able to do so through hard work To burn the oil at night is quoted as hard work for the literary people.

As a student, hard work is a must for you. Study your books well. Add to your knowledge from books other than the text books. Whatever the time you devote for your studies, add a little more time and continue adding to it. Hard work and more of hard work—that is the key of success.

Quarrels

Did somebody abuse you or did he take away your book to tease you—and then did you give him a blow and knocked him down? Think over it. Did you prove yourself better than he is? Certainly not. He did something wrong and you followed in his footsteps making yourself no better than he is. This sort of things create hate and give rise to quarrels and ultimately separate the people from one another. If you had been a little patient, he would have been sorry for his wrong doing. In fact he would have repented. He would have come to realise that you are a very nice fellow and therefore he would have become a good friend of yours.

Quarrels do not produce any good results. Rather they create bad blood. Relations become strained and friendships go to pieces. Tell me, do you like to make friends or do you like to make enemies?' Friends are always a source of help. Enemies can do you harm at any time and without your being alert about it. Life is pleasant with friends, it is unpleasant with enemies. Why should we make enemies? Those who are friends during the school days are always helpful. Wherever you might go, they will remember you and you also will remember them. Sometime when an old man meets a school mate of his, his joy knows no bounds. Collect this kind of pleasures for the days to come. Do no quarrel and do not make enemies. Be friendly with your school mates and you will enjoy these friendships the whole of your life.

Punctuality

Time, they say, is money. There are many people who do not understand this so common a saying. They have plenty of time and they waste it as if it has no value. But this saying remains true. It is for those who are busy people and hard working and who always have an aim to

achieve. "Time is money" actually means that time is as important as money is. If you have money you can use it to buy whatever you need and you can make your life better than those who don't have it. In the same way, you can utilise time for polishing your talents and for doing a lot of things that will enable you to live a better life.

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It is due to this importance of time that stress is laid on punctuality. Punctuality means to do things at their proper fixed time and not to delay them or be late in doing them. Suppose during your school hours you are told that Mr So and So will lecture you at the school hall at five in the evening. "You reach the school hall exactly at five but Mr So and So is no-where to be seen. You wait for him and with you there are scores of other people who wait for him. Five minutes, ten minutes, fifteen minutes—Mr. So and So is late. All of you are worried and bored. You have to go back in time and study. How do you like Mr So and So being late? You don't like it.

May be you go to the school late. You are the loser. May be your teacher comes late. He is losing respect and you and your other class fellows are losing the lesson. Nobody likes this kind of things, because this is how time is wasted and therefore wealth (even something more valuable than wealth) is lost.

You should therefore always be punctual. You will gain by it and you will enjoy the fruits of punctuality.

Health

Look at a sickly person. He cannot give enough of time to reading or writing. He gets tired. He cannot go to the playground, for, he is not strong enough to play. His movements are so slow that the healthy friends of his do not like to move about with him. He cannot think for long time and he cannot work hard. That is why he cannot achieve much. He may like to accuse others for his failure and insignificant success but it is he himself who should be accused. He is lagging behind because he is sickly.

Health is wealth. That is what the sages have always been saying. It is just a way of stressing the importance of h e a l t h. In fact health is much more than that. There are times when you do not enjoy wealth but there never comes a time when you don't enjoy health. We can even go to the extent of saying that wealth may not be able to give you health while on the other hand health can help you to amass wealth.

God has granted us life and life is worth living if we are healthy. You know, sometimes the sickly people get so tired of living that they commit suicide—very bad to do so, of course. In order to preserve the gift of God and to enjoy it we must never lose sight of our health. Everything that goes to weaken our health must be avoided. Every thing that tends to make us more healthy should be adopted.

It is also said that real and true beauty lies in health. The facial expression of a healthy person is beautiful. The clothes that he wears may be of cheap quality but they will suit his robust body. A healthy person has the courage to move forward and to win the race of life. Take care of your health.

Helping others

Would you like that somebody

should help you when you are in need of help? I am sure you certainly would. Now put somebody else in your place. If he needs help he will look towards you and he will expect that you come forward to hold his hand and do for him what he stands in need of and what you really can do—of course you can't afford to help anyone beyond your power.

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It is said "Do unto others what you would like them to do to you." That means, if you want them to help you, when you are in need of their help, you should be prepared to help them when they are in need of your help. As a student, your help can take different forms. Tell your fellows the meanings of the words they would like to ask you. Solve a sum for them. Lend them the book they don't have—of course not for so long that your own studies may suffer. Carry somebody on your bicycle. Help the others do minor repairs of their bicycles, if they are in need of it. Lend your friend a few cents—but only a few and don't let anyone run into the habit of asking for money every now and then. This will spoil him, and, may be, it is your kindness that will lead him to this position. Guard against it and tell your friend why you are doing so. You can help the sick and the injured on the road. You can also help the poor, the aged, the widow and the orphan. All this will win you the pleasure of your Creator.

Obedience

Do you have a small brother? Does he always do what you tell him to do? Or in other words, does he obey you? And if he does not, do you shout on him and do you scold him? I think you should not do that. He is small and he deserves your kindness. But, of course, that does not mean he should disobey you. He must obey you. What I am saying is that if, at times, he does not obey you do not be very harsh upon him. Teach him obedience. Obedience has really to be taught. It also very largely depends on the one who is asking for obedience from others, as to how he tells them to do things. Obedience can be extracted through kind words.

As a student you should try to learn obedience; obey your parents, obey your teachers and obey the elders in the household and the society.

If you understand one point about obedience, it will be easy for you to obey. That point is that if you are told to do something that you like to do, it will not be termed as obedience, if you did it; only when you are told to do something that may not be to your taste, and you do it, you can be said to have realised and understood the spirit of obedience. When you take Toffees or Biscuits, you can't tell anyone that you are obeying him. But if the doctor gives you a bitter doze of medicine and you take it, you are really obeying the Doctor.

You want others—younger than you—to obey you. You also should obey others who are older or higher than you. It will bring blessings and success.

Respect for Elders

You have parents and elder brothers and sisters at home. You have elderly people in your street, town and country and you have teachers at your school as well as at other schools All of them have to be respected. Respect begets respect. If you respect others, especially the elders, you will be respected by others.

Lucky is the person who respects others and unlucky, the one who has no respect for anybody, whoever he might be. If you will not respect your elders you will not get their prayers and they will not think good of you with the consequence that you will lose their help and support which you so badly need at every stage of your life. If you will not respect your teachers you will not be able to learn anything, and if you learn anything at all, i will not help you, because a disrespectful person cannot put the good teaching into practice.

How would you like that those who are younger than you, should not respect you! You can't like it. Rather you will get annoyed at it. That is what should make you think how you should behave towards your elders. Mind it "the elders" does not mean only close relations. You should respect all the elders whoever they may be. God will bless you.

Kindness

There are some who respect their elders but they are not kind towards the younger ones. They abuse them, they scold them, they even lash them. They do all this, and do not realise that their attitude is not the right attitude. True, the younger ones cannot, and must not, fly in your face. They cannot, and they must not, pay you in the same coins. But that should be no licence for you to treat them any way you like. There was a time when you were young like them. Do you remember somebody being unkind to you? And how do you think of him now? Do you think his being unkind was good? Well think over it and you will come to the conclusion that we should always be kind to the younger ones. They deserve it. In fact it is their right. They must have this right of theirs. Don't they do a lot of petty jobs for you? They certainly do. They are very helpful to you. You should therefore attract them to yourself and they will help you the more. But be unkind to them and they will like to run away from you. They will really run away and if they cannot do that, they will hate you and grumble when you tell them to do something for you. They will not do it with pleasure. If they have torn a book or broken a tea cup, havn't you ever done that. Do you scold yourself when you break something? You just laugh. Do the same to the younger ones.

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Independence

You are citizen of an independent country. *Al-Hamdo Lillah* (All praise belongs to Allah). There was a time when this country was not independent. Some people of some other country ruled over it. They did try to bring about advancement but as it is quite natural the angle from which they saw the advancement of the country was quite different from the angle from which the citizens of the country could see. They did what they thought was, first and foremost, in their own interest, whether the citizens of the country liked it or not. You know that was a very great disadvantage for people of this land. Then, God was so good that the country achieved independence.

Now it is the people of this country who rule over her. They have the interest of the country at heart. Whatever their plans, projects and schemes—all of them are directed towards the advancement of the people of the country. It is quite possible that the people of one sector (call itRegion, Province, State or whatever you like) might benefit before the people of the other sector. But all the benefit goes to the people of the land. Do you understand, it is a very great thing to have independence. You should

always be thankful to God and do all you can at every stage of your life to strengthen the independence of the country. You should dedicate all your talents (which you should always continue trying to improve) for the service of your country. Serve your country to the best of your abilities. Make independence sweeter than ever before.

Exercise

Childhood and youth are the periods on which the rest of the life is based. If you are a healthy child and your youth is also full of vigour, you are mostly expected to enjoy good health the rest of your life. Of course illness can overtake a person any time, but in that case also we know that if you are strongly built the sickness will not affect you much. You will have what they call the power of resistance.

How to keep your health in good shape? That is what you must know. The important factors that are responsible for good health are an adjusted diet (that is a subject to be thought over by your parents) and physical exercise. I know you are taking exercise in the school. You may even be playing some game like hockey, cricket, football or volleyball. So for so good. You can do more than that and in fact you need to do more than that. You should be taking exercise early in the morning. Go into the open, take a walk, run a little, inhale and exhale and stand near a wall putting your hands (palms of your hands) against the wall and press against it as if you are pushing the wall away. You will not be able to push the wall away but your arms and your chest will certainly be strengthened. You can also stand straight and bending down keeping your legs straight touch your toes with the tips of your fingers. You can do many more things.

Let physical exercise become a habit with you.

Promise

You are waiting for your friend who said he would see you at 5 O' Clock and now it is 6 O'clock. Your friend has not come. At the same time you have not been able to go anywhere because you have been waiting for your friend. He has not kept his promise and you are justifiably annoyed. Next time when he will tell you that you should wait for him, you will perhaps ask him twice if he is really serious and if he means what he says.

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There are certain good things which only the doer enjoys but keeping the promise is something that there are two sides to enjoy it. The one who keeps (i.e. fulfils) the promise and the other for whom the promise is kept. That means there is double enjoyment in keeping the promise. But, then, you should also realise that if the promise is not kept the disappointment is also twofold. He who does not keep the promise spoils his own habits and makes himself untrustworthy and the one who gets the disappointment for the promise having been broken feels the pain of unfruitful waiting at the cost of something else that he could do to his advantage or even to the advantage of someone else.

If you make up your mind that you will always keep the promise, you will infuse this good habit in many friends of yours. You will be trusted by every body. You will save your own time and honour and also the time and honour of others.

Never forget to keep the promise.

Flattery

Praise somebody for a quality that he does not have or praise him too much for a quality that he owns in a very short degree and you will be doing him harm. You will make him proud and you will make him indifferent towards doing good deeds It is as if you give—and continue giving—money to somebody and the money is so much that he need not go to work, such a person will become indifferent to earn money by himself. You might have heard that some people who inherited a lot of wealth from their parents thought of doing nothing else in their life except squander that wealth.

The person whom you flatter, thinks that if he can be called good —and in fact very good—without doing any good deed, why should he bother about doing good deeds at all. And when somebody is not doing good deeds, what use is his life to others? Rather he might be doing bad deeds and taking pleasure in his evil ways. For, he knows that whatever he might do, he will be told that he is a very good person. That is what flattery does.

Flattery also kills the incentive for making progress. If you flatter a student too much, you ruin his career. Why should you do that? Examinations are held to show the students where they stand. They tell them how much of praises they really and truly deserve. Moreover if the person whom you flatter comes to know that you are not sincere in your praises you will be disliked by the person you are flattering.

Do not flatter anybody.

Advice

No human being is all wise. Nobody can say that he knows everything. No one dare suggest that his thoughts never go wrong. That is why it is said that two heads are better than one. This means that if two persons think over a matter, consult each other and exchange notes, the results will be much better than if only one person had done all that.

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Advice is never a command from others. You are not bound to accept it. But it is always in your interest to seek advice from those who know better than you do. May be, there are certain angles from which you cannot see or you have not seen the matter under consideration. The person from whom you seek advice might be able to throw light which will give you more insight. He may tell you of some advantages or disadvantages that have remained hidden from your eyes. Of course when everything has become clear it is upto you to pick and choose and to decide what you are going to do and how you are going to do it.

That much for taking advice. As for giving advice you must realise that whoever approaches you for advice, does so very sincerely and he puts his trust in you for guiding him to the right path. Your duty is to be sincere to him and to give him the advice that will do him good. Do not keep back anything. Do not tell him what is not true. Giving advice is like giving help, but mind you, if the other person decides not to act upon your advice, do not be annoyed with him. It is his right to decide.

Hope

Hope is a wonderful word. It keeps you busy. It makes you work hard. It holds your hand and travels with you to your destination. It can

be said that hope is a propelling force. It is a guiding light. It infuses vigour and zeal in us and strengthens our hearts and brightens our eyes to shine and show that we mean business.

Have vou ever realised that you always readily startdoing something that you hope to accomplish? However difficult the task may be if there is a ray of hope in your heart about its accomplishment, you will waste no time in making a go at it. On the other hand, however easy a task may be if you have no hope of doing it successfully, you will shun it until someone compels you to do it. You attend the school. Why do you do so? Because you hope that you will learn, pass the examinations and make use of your education. But if you lose hope of learning and passing examinations, you will run away from the school and adopt a trade or do something else. Your parents send you to the school because they hope you will study and make use of your studies. You know, sometimes the parents tell their child to stop going to school. It is because they have lost hope in his success.

Hope, therefore, is a wonderful word. You should always be hopeful. You should always be confident that you can do things and you can achieve success. The fact of your being hopeful will help you to put in more of effort. It will encourage you to work harder and expect better results. Never lose hope—push forward with the hope that your goal is very near.

Study

Anybody who studies is a student and everybody who is a student must study. So, you see, "Study" and "Student" go side by side. You cannot think of the one without thinking of the other. That shows how important it is that as a student your speciality must be "study" The more you study, the better a student you will be. After all those who score more marks and have better grades are students who study more than others and who also know what the best method of study is.

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First, you make up your mind that you are going to give the required time to your studies. Then, you should try to learn the best method of studies. Be sure that the results in future will be better.

Knowledge is gained by asking questions. May be, some time when your teacher is teaching, you don't understand something and you feel that unless you ask him to explain further you will not know it. But you cannot make up your mind to ask the teacher to explain the point again, or further. The result is that you miss that part of knowledge. So you must remember that knowledge is gained by asking what you do not know or what you do not understand. You must take notes of whatever you read. In this way your book will be compressed in just a few pages of your note book and you will be able lo revise them often. You should also make a programme of your studies at home and work according to it. In order to make your studies more beneficial you should try to find out what part of a book needs more of your attention. Do not always be reading what you already know. Every time you sit down to study, you must add to your knowledge.

Books

People think every book is just a book. It is not so. Every book is either a good book or a bad

book. So you see, books differ from one another in their being good or bad. And if it is true, and definitely it is true, that books mould your character you must be careful in the selection of the books you read. Of course, you have no control over the text books. You need not worry about this. Very highly specialised efforts have gone into them to make them good books. I am talking of the books which are not selected by your teachers and which are not taught in the schools. The books that you get from the libraries, from your friends and, some times, you buy yourself.

Books, they say, are like friends and it is well known that a man is known by the company he keeps. That is, if you have bad friends, you cannot be a good person yourself. Even if you are good, when you start friendship with the bad people there is every likelihood that you will become like them. You will imbibe their qualities ; they will not imbibe your qualities. You know why it is so. Because adopting evil ways is like slipping down which is much easier than climbing up.

Just as you should choose good people as your friends, so also you should read good books. They will add to your knowledge. They will strengthen your heart. They will give you courage to move forward on the path of success. In fact, they will help you to do good deeds to become a good person and achieve success that will be lauded by everybody around you.

You must remember that evil is ultimately condemned even by the evil persons. Virtue is always liked and loved and appreciated. You should read good books and act upon what they say and shine like a star and guide others to goodness.

Home Task

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You go to school and study there according to the time table. If you are in lower classes, one and the same teacher teaches you all the time. If you are in higher classes, different teachers come to your class room to teach you their respective subjects. Some times you have to go to another room for science experiments or for lessons on agriculture. You should try to grasp all what your teacher teaches you. Sometimes you are successful : some times you are not. But how to know whether you have grasped everything that your teacher has told you, or you have not ? If you want to know this after a considerably long time (say three months) you should wait till the examination is held. But why to wait for such a long time ? You should know it daily. The home task (the school studies that your teacher tells you to do at home) are the criterion. If you can do the home task easily, you have grasped all that the teacher has taught you at school. Therein lies the importance of home task. Do not shun it ; do not be bored by it. Study you must, when you come home. Instead of studying at random you should first and foremost do the home task. That will be a revision of what you have studied at the school and that will be a little more also. This "little more" is very essential. It gives you the power to think and the power to understand and also the power to apply your knowledge for the problems that might be new and a little complicated. This is a mental exercise.

Different times of the day suit

different students for studies at home. There are some who study immediately after their return from the school. I doubt if that is the best time. There are others who study at night and yet others who study early in the morning. Choose any time you like and do your home task regularly and with great care. It will help you a lot.

Service

The greatest gratitude of the people comes from the service that is rendered to them. In fact, service is such a magnet that attracts the hearts of the people to you more than anything else. If this service is selfless and is rendered without any ulterior motive, it is more precious a gift than the most valuable gift that could ever be given to any person. There is a small poem in English language which depicts this thing very beautifully. A sick man is lying by the roadside. A rich man passes by him and asks him why he is lying there. The sick man replies : "I am sick and cannot get up and walk." The rich man gives him some money and tells him to buy the medicine. Another man passes that way and he also asks the sick person why he is lying there. When he is told that the person who is lying down is sick, the passer by sits down and presses his head. Then he goes to buy the medicine and food for him. Having given him the medicine and the food, he goes away. As soon as he departs, the sick person begins to ponder. His thoughts run like this :

"I 'll get better and pay back the money that was given to me by the first person but I wonder how I shall repay the man who has served me." How true it is.

Service wins the hearts of the people. In return, they are always anxious to do you good. It attracts the pleasure of God also. He likes it very much that you serve His creatures rather He says that serving His creatures is like serving Him.

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You can give a little bit of service to your class fellows, your school fellows and to the needy people in your street or town or anywhere on the road. Be on the look out and you will get such people who will be grateful for the service you can give them.

Serving humanity pleases God.

Observation

Observation is the faculty of noticing. You see a lot of things around you. How many of them do you really notice ? For example, you are moving on the road and people pass by you. You see almost all of them but how many of them do you notice ? You look at a building. It is beautiful—or it is not beautiful. But what else have you noticed in connection with this building ? You go to school every day. You play in its play grounds and your play grounds are surrounded by different types of trees. Do you notice what types of trees are there ? You might say, it is not necessary for you to know the types of the trees. Of course, you are not very wrong, but you also are not very correct. Noticing adds to knowledge and no amount of knowledge can be said to be a ceiling beyond which you should not climb. It is the amount of knowledge that makes the difference between the people. He who has more knowledge is better equipped to pass through all the various circumstances of life.

You can add to your power of observation. It needs a little of attention and a little of practice. In fact if your power of observation is greater than that of others you can always give them a pleasant sur-

prise. Try to look at things with keen interest and think of them again and again. You will remember them and you will be able to talk about them. That will sharpen your sense of observation which will ultimately increase your knowledge and put you on a higher pedestal.

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Lives of great men

Lives of great men all remind us :

We can make our lives sublime. There is no doubt about it that what one man has done, another man can do it. Why then should you not try to become a great man. If you glance through the history of the world, you will find that people have achieved greatness in various fields of life. There have been great politicians, great scientists, great educationists, great poets, great novelists, great historians, great technicians, great servants of humanity and great godly people. Wherever your interest lies, try to achieve remarkable successes in it and become a great man. Do not like to remain the dumb driven cattle. God has given you some talents. He has given you the power to rise high. He has provided you with the examples of great men. Why should you then feel that while others can become great you cannot ?

Study the lives of great men. Read biographies. You will observe that all the great men. worked hard, in fact, harder than all their colleagues. They burnt the oil at night and toiled during the day. They never stopped thinking and working. But, mind you, before all this they had made up their mind as to what was the aim they wanted to achieve. They were not rolling stones, doing one thing today and trying their hand at another, tomorrow. They picked their line of action and centred round it all the struggle they could make.

You also do the same and you will see the difference within a short period of time. There will be a change in you. The improvement will become obvious. If you become great, your greatness will encourage others to follow the suit.

Picking holes

Picking holes means finding faults with others. There is no doubt about it that if anybody has a fault, he should be informed so that he can make amends. But to point out a fault in such a way that it pinches and pains, for example, doing so in the presence of others or pointing it out in pungent words, is a very bad habit. If somebody's clothes are dirty and you begin to mock at him and thus he feels very much belittled, the very first thing that will happen is that he will be annoyed and he will feel a sort of hatred for you. Why should you create hatred in the hearts of others, for yourself. It cannot pay you in the long run.

To point out the faults of others in a nicer manner and also to help others to remove their faults will make the people grateful to you. They will know that you are their well wisher and in fact benefactor. They will remember you the whole of their life and whenever chance permits them they will do you good.

Another evil effect of picking holes or finding faults of others openly is that it makes you proud. It makes you feel that you are better than others. It is a very harmful attitude. It can lead you to greater mistakes.

Put yourself in the place of others and imagine that somebody belittles you in the eyes of others by pointing out your faults. You will never like it. Who has not got faults? you have and everybody has them. Then, why not adopt a gentler method of telling others where they should make amends. If we do so, they will do the same and tell us our faults very politely. When you look in the mirror, your faults are shown to you by it but does the mirror tell others what your faults are? No. It does not. You should also act like that.

Prayer

When we express our wishes to God and beg Him to grant those wishes, we are said to be praying to Him. There are two ways of praying. One is formal and the other is informal. By formal prayer is meant the prayer that is offered in a specified prescribed manner. For example, the five Daily Prayers of the Muslims or Prayers of the followers of other religions in their praying houses, Temples, Churches, Synagogues etc. By informal prayer is meant the prayer that you just utter anyhow and anywhere and in any language. For example you are going to the examination hall. You can be praying to God that He may help you and let you pass the examination securing a good grade. God is every where and God listens to everybody. You and all of us are His creatures and He loves His creation Why should He then not listen to the prayers of all of us! But, of course, we cannot make prayer a sort of play. There are some people who do not know their lessons and they want God to let them secure a good grade. God won't do that. That will be injustice to those who have worked hard. Of course if for one reason or the other God likes to be Merciful to him, who has the right to say that He should not do so. But as a general rule one must play his part by doing hard work and then beg God to play His part, for He has Promised to help those who sincerely struggle for success.

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One thing that must be remembered is that prayer gives a very great satisfaction and those who are unmindful of the prayer deprive themselves of this satisfaction.

Some people say that if they have to work hard why then to pray. Well, do they think they can do anything without the help of God? They certainly cannot. Despite the fact that they have worked hard and studied very nicely, anything untowardly can happen and the results can become unexpectedly unsatisfactory. Therefore, you should always seek for God's help through prayers.

Your Nation

Do you take pride in your country and in your nation? Your country is your birth place and your nation is the real and true company that God has granted you. You must love both of them and you must take pride in them. Wherever you go in the world, when you meet a country-man of yours there you feel so happy that you cannot express your joy in words. It is but natural. This instinct has been granted to you by God and you must respect this instinct by taking pride in your nation. At times, people look at those who misbehave and because of them they talk ill of their nation and their country This attitude is bad and must be condemned. In every nation there are good people and there are some bad people also. Do not, therefore, condemn your nation because of some people

who you think are not good. Every nation has got that type of people. Of course, what you should do is that you should make up your mind to serve your nation. You can teach the illiterate to read. You can tell every-body to be clean and tidy and to keep their homes and streets clean. You can tell them to be truthful and trust worthy. You should make yourself exemplary and give them your example.

When you complete your studies you should make up your mind to serve your nation. There are some people who are just after money. You may have less than some others but the satisfaction that you will enjoy will not be theirs. At a later stage, they might have to regret lust for money but there never will be any cause for you to regret giving service to your nation.

Also rememberm if you serve the nation, as a Doctor, an Engineer, a Policeman, a Military - man a Clerk or a Teacher you will be respected by every body. You will be the beloved Hero of your people.

Sacrifice

To make sacrifice is not an easy thing but it is so essential to make sacrifice that no person and no nation can make any progress without it. After all the education thet your parents are giving you by spending a lot of monev would rot be possible if they refused to make some sacrifices. And why not to look to our life even before the stage of education begins. What a great sacrifice the mother makes to bring up her child. She almost sacrifices har very life for the well—being of her child. She gets up at night, she sleeps on the wet place—the place that her baby had made wet—but she does not complain. She does not like to eat before her baby has been fed. The baby grows and the baby's wants also grow. The mother tries all she can to satisfy the wants of her baby. What a great sacrifice. Without this sacrifice the baby could not survive.

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Take the case of the plants and trees. The seed has to be put under the soil and there it has to lose its existence so that the plant may grow. The seed actually sacrifices its very existence to give birth to the plant which is so very essential for human existence.

If you look around yourself you will find that everybody has to make some sort of sacrifice for the achievement of one purpose or the other. You also should make up your mind to do likewise. You will have to make sacrifices for yourself, for your relations, for your country and lastly for the whole of mankind. You should prepare yourself for it.

You must remember that it takes time before you can reap the crop of your sacrifice or enjoy the fruit of it. Do not be impatient. Go on making sacrifices and rest assured they will never go waste. They will bear very sweet fruits. If you make sacrifices for your nation you will always be remembered and honoured and that will be so great a repayment of what you might have sacrificed, that you would like to offer that sacrifice again and again. Never hesitate to make sacrifices.

Back biting

When you talk of someone and make mention of his shortcomings so that the listeners may think bad of him, you are back-biting. It is said

that back-biting is like eating the flesh of a dead brother Who would like to eat that flesh. None—But so far as back-biting is concerned, it is a very common evil that is grounded in the hearts of so many of us. It is as if people take pleasure in talking ill of others in their absence. Sometimes people think that since they are referring to the shortcomings that are really found in the person talked about their talk cannot be termed as back-biting. That is not true. If you talk of some shortcoming that is not to be found in the person talked about, you are telling lies. If the shortcoming is to be found in the person, then you are back-biting Do you understand the difference between the two things now? Back biting and lies—these are two diffierent things. Everybody knows that we should not tell lies; let every one of us realise that back-biting is also bad and we should shun it.

If you want to talk of the short comings of some one, go and talk to him directly and talk gently with a view to reforming him. He will like it very much and he will be grateful to you and he will pray for you. But if you will talk of his shortcomings in his absence and in order to belittle him, he will be annoyed with you and he will hate you. He will be justified to be annoyed with you and to hate you. Don't give anyone the opportunity of doing so.

The best thing is to talk of the good points of others and you must be sure that there is nobody in the world who has no good points. If you talk of the good points of others in their absence, people will realise that you are a broadminded person. For this, they will respect you and talk good of you everywhere. Moreover talking of good points encourages others to do good deeds. If you become the cause of other people doing good deeds, it will certainly bring you blessings.

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Make up you mind that you will always talk of the good points of others, especially in their absence. May God help you do that.

Good Deeds

What is a good deed? Can you define it? Can you name some of the good deeds? I think you would like to do so without any hesitation. You might say: going to school; offering the prescribed prayers; Fasting; helping others, and you might name quite a few other things. But tell me now would it look if you went to school on Sunday—not to the Sunday school but your regular school. You will cut a sorry figure. If you started offering the prescribed prayer when people are gathered next door to extinguish the fire which is consuming the house, what would the people think of you? Do you think it would be good on your part; the people are busy in saving lives and property and you are offering your prayers If it is a day of festivities —as Eid is—and you fasted on that day, do you think God will accept your fast. In fact we are told that it is the Satan who fasts on be day of Eid. Who would like to be called Satan? As for helping others, how nice it seems to be. But suppose you helped a thief, a murderer, a cruel or unjust person, Would this be the kind of help God wishes to give others, and would people appreciate it? Certainly not. Very great intelligence is not needed to understand that this kind of help is baing cruel and unjust to the society at large and it is like killing virtue. Although apparently the word "help" is a good word and to act upon it is a good deed.

Now let me tell you there is nothing that can be called a good deed unless it is an appropriate deed. The deed that suits the occasion and is in perfect accord with the rules and regulations chalked out for us by God through His prophets and Saints and pious and virtuous people. A deed becomes a good deed if it produces good and healthy results and if it is in full conformity with the commands of God. So, do look to the commands of God and to the demands of the occasion. Continue thinking over it and a greater light will shine on you.

FROM THE NEWSPAPERS

Help to Train the Youth—Kodjiku

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by Quadzro Agbedanu

The nation is sick of a deadly disease dishonesty, laziness and the desire to get rich quickly Parents must therefore help to train the youth the hard way to cure this disease. This statement was made by Major L. Kodjiku, Ashanti Regional Commissioner at the fifth Speech and Prize Giving-Day ceremony at the Ahmadiyya Secondary School, at the week-end, in Kumasi.

Major Kodjiku warned the students to make the fullest use of their time now since time and tide wait for no man otherwise, he stressed, they will regret in the future.

The Commissioner warned students to refrain from smoking Indian hemp as it is one of the basic factors that contributes to disturbances in schools, and that any student that fell a victim must be dealt with ruthlessly.

Major Kodjiku also asked teachers to be models to their pupils since their work and conduct have a far reaching effect on them.

The Headmaster of the school, Mr. N. A. Boateng, said in his report that the school needed modern buildings and staff quarters. He said the present classrooms are inadequate to accommodate the ever increasing number of students.

He also suggested to the Government to allow schools to introduce a canteen system in all secondary schools to ease the food problems, until such a time that the Government convert all boarding schools to day school.

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Koran for Dawuni

MAULVI A. W Adam, head of the Ahmadiyya Movement in Ghana, yesterday presented a Holy Koran and a number of books on Islamic religion to Major E. J. Dawuni, Central Regional Commissioner, at his office at Cape Coast.

Receiving the gift, Major Dawuni commended the movement for its contribution to the social and economic development of the country.

He praised Maulvi Adam for his appointment as the first Ghanaian to head the movement—GNA.

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The Empty Tomb

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THE RELIGIONS that are based on mysteries do not like scientific tests and the result is that they believe quite a different thing from what ordinarily they know the facts to be. Are there any skies where people can go and relax? Everybody will tell you that science has now proved that there are no such skies. But still some people, on the side of religion believe that somebody has gone there and has been there for the past so many centuries. How strange!

Our Christian brethren believe that Jesus Christ has gone to the skies and has been living there quite a comfortable life. This ascension, they say, took place after his coming out of the sepulchre which is referred to by them as his resurrecton. In our previous instalments we have proved that Jesus had not died on the cross and therefore his coming out of the sepulchre could not mean resurrection. That in view, the question of his ascension need not be discussed at all. For, if he did not resurrect, where lies the question of his going up to the skies? But still as we have done in case of other faces of the major issue we should like to discuss ascension at its merits.

It must be remembered that we have to base our findings on the statements of the Gospel writers. After all they are the people who are expected to know the facts more than anybody else. And there are four Gospels: they are St. Matthew's; St. Mark's; St. Luke's; St. John's. Out of these four writers we know quite well that St. Mark and St. Luke had never met Jesus Christ. They had not stayed with him even for a day.

They had not, therefore, witnessed anything that happened in the life time of Jesus. St. Matthew and St. John were the companions of Jesus. They were the witnesses, the real witnesses, among all the Gospel writers. But how strange! St. Matthew and St. John have not penned a single word in their Gospels in connection with the so-called ascension of Jesus. Was this incident so insignificant that they did not mind leaving it out? We think not. Rather since nothing had happened like that before, this incident, if it actually took place, was the most marvellous for its uniqueness. No true biographer of Jesus, especially he who had witnessed this strange happening could miss it. But, as we have said before, these two Gospel writers do not say a word about it.

St Mark and St. Luke have said the following: So, then after the Lord had spoken unto them, he was received up into heaven, and sat upon the right hand of God" (*St. Mark* 16 : 19) "And it came to pass, while he blessed them, he was parted from them, and carried up into heaven." *St. Luke* 24 : 51.

So far as St. Mark's Gospel is concerned it is no secret now that the last twelve verses (the verse quoted above is among those twelve) were

added to the Gospel by someone else long after St. Mark had passed away. In other words they are not genuine verses of the Gospel at all. Moreover, the very tone of the verse in question is such that it cannot be taken to be anything other than a metaphor. After all, how did the writer see that Jesus had sat on the right hand of God?

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Coming to St, Luke's Gospel we learn that the words "and was carried up into heaven" are omitted in some of the best Manuscripts and have probably crept in from Act 1 : 9 Moreover as we are told by Principal A. J. Grieve in the Peake's Commentary on the Bible, in Luk everything including this final departure, seems to have happened on the same day as Resurrection. What a grand contradiction of other Gospels which make mention of his forty-day stay with the disciples. Thus the two passages—that of St. Mark and St Luke—lose their claim to authenticity, if ever they had any.

But above all, Jesus Christ peace be on him, had told his disciples that unless somebody came from the heavens he could not go there. Jesus was born as a babe on this earth and therefore he could not ascend to the heavens. But if he did not go to the skies, where did he go and what happened to him? We shall deal with that question in our next instalment.

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Who was the Founder of the Ahmadiyya Movement

The Ahmadiyya Movement was founded by Hazrat Ahmad peace be on him His full name was Mirza Ghulam Ahmad. He was born at Qadian (India) in 1835 and passed away in 1908. He had started receiving revelations from God as early as 1875 but he started the Movement under the divine command in 1889.

The followers of the Promised Messiah, peace be on him, were called Ahmadiyya Jamaat by him, in 1901 C.E. This was in reference to one of the names of the Holy Prophet of Islam, peace and blessings of Allah be upon him. That name of the Holy Prophet is Ahmad. He said the manifestation of this name had to take place in the latter days while the manifestation of the name Mohammad took place in the early days of Islam.

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Who arranged the Verses and the Chapters of the Holy Quran

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It was the Holy Prophet, Peace and blessings of Allah be upon him, who arranged the verses and the chapters of the Holy Quran under divine guidance. When he passed away, Hazrat Abu Bakr, may God be pleased with him, the first successor of the Holy Prophet, called upon Hazrat Zaid bin Sabit to put the whole of the Holy Quran together in one bound volume, thus giving it a formal shape of a book.

Hazrat Usman, may God be pleased with him, got some copies made of the Holy Quran and sent them to different Islamic countries so that the authentic copy of the Holy Quran may become available everywhere.

The Holy Quran that we have in our hands today is the exact copy of the Holy Quran which was collected and arranged by the Holy Prophet, bound together by Hazrat Abu Bakr and copied by Hazrat Usman and sent to various parts of the world.

M. Jamilur Rahman Rafiq, Missionary incharge, Tanzania addressing a meeting attended by followers of various religions.

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